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1. Consumer goods in the USSR were in short supply after World War II, but since that time have become more plentiful. Especially since the death of Stalin, consumer goods have appeared in great quantity on the shelves and the prices have become lower. Soviet goods are of good quality and find ready buyers; there is always a line of buyers when stores are open.
2. After World War II, all former Russian citizens were given permission to return to the USSR.
3. Since the death of Stalin, the prisons of the USSR have been practically emptied; all prisoners with five years or less left to serve were given mass amnesty, while all prisoners having over five years to serve had their sentences drastically cut to five years or less.

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